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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

BANSAL, Pradeep et al.

Serial No.: 09/089,011

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

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REQUEST FOR REMAND TO EXAMINER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

ATTENTION: Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

Sir:

The Assignee of the present application, AT&T Corp. received a docketing notice from the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences concerning this application and its appeal. Neither the Assignee AT&T Corporation nor the law firm of Kenyon & Kenyon, Assignee's representative, have received a copy of an Examiner's Answer for this application in response to the Appeal Brief filed in this application. Accordingly, Applicants representative, David Zibelli, contacted the Examiner and the Examiner forwarded a courtesy copy of her Examiner's Answer. However, the courtesy copy is dated September 19, 2002, apparently re-dating itself when printed out on the Examiner's computer.

It is thus requested that the application be remanded to the Examiner so that a new Examiner's Answer may be sent to Appellants so that they may have a proper chance to file a Reply Brief if desired, with the time for filing such a Reply Brief being reset with an newly dated Examiner's Answer. Should there be any questions

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concerning this matter, the appropriate official at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences is requested to contact Applicants undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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